

## Book Talk, Due Friday, Oct. 14, 2011

A typical book talk should last five to seven minutes.

1. Bring your book with you. Show the front and back cover. You may want to include reading aloud from some interesting or exciting parts of the book.
2. Give a brief summary of the book. The summary should be written by you, not one that is taken from the internet or the jacket of the book.
3. What are the pros and cons of the book.

Example - Pro - If you like fantasy this would be a good choice because the novel is set in France during the middle ages and it includes many fairy tale characters and fire breathing dragons.

Con - I would have liked this book more if the main character has grown or changed more during the story. He/She never seemed to learn from their mistakes.

4. Give the book a recommendation. Example - This would be a great book for those who love to read fantasy. There is lots of action and adventure and interesting characters. However, if you are just trying out the fantasy genre you might want a book with a less complex plot.
5. Give the book a star rating from one to five. One being the lowest and five the highest.  
Example - \*\*\*1/2 - A great read if you like fantasy. Lots of dragons, heroes and damsels in distress.

***Don't forget to keep the following in mind when giving your book talk.***

***Look at everyone.***

***Speak loudly***

***Talk about the characters, the problem in the story, or something that was fun in the story.***

***Get the audience interested in the book. Read a small part or show the book's cover and illustrations.***